

## HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL Wednesday, May 17, 2017

The Citizens' Advisory Council meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

**Present:**, Larry Aaronson, Janet Bahouth, Thomas C. Beach III, William Brockett, Larry Buehler, Lesley Flaim, Britany Gegor, Andrew Hall Sr, Eileen Harrity, Linda Lee Hickerson, Jeffrey Kulik, Adia Moore, Peter Newman, Stephen Pidliskey, Timothy Pierce, Lorna Rudnikas, Dr. Lewis Saunders, Susan Watkins, Nollie Wood Jr, Chief Gary Gardner, Lieutenant Tanya Riffle

Absent/Excused: Vivian Bailey, Sandy Cederbaum, John Cipolla, Barb Mueller, Camela Williams

### <u>Chairperson – Ms. Lesley Flaim</u>

- Opened the meeting and reminded the Council that the meeting was being recorded.
- April minutes approved as distributed and posted on the HCPD website.

<u>Anniversary Committee</u> – Andrew Hall Sr., Sandy Cederbaum, Nollie Wood, Linda Lee Hickerson, Susan Watkins and Larry Aaronson

- Anniversary celebration date will be Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm
- ➤ Light Fare
- Attendees still under discussion
- Working on a program for the celebration
- Developing ideas for a photo book or slide show. Members should send stories, photos or videos to the committee
- Working on the history of the CAC
- Chief offered Seth from HCPD PIO's office to create a video with interviews of CAC members

### <u>Chief's Report – Chief Gary Gardner</u>

- Body worn pilot program to begin in July
  - Will discuss further at the June meeting
- Police Memorial Week
  - Police Memorial Service at HCPD
  - 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil in DC
- Police Unity Tour
  - 20 participants rode over 300 miles
  - \$367,000 raised over 9 years just from Howard County's Cycling Team

Approved: LF



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- Foreign National Immigration Policy issued on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>
- Community Events
  - Rebuilding Together HCPD participated on April 29<sup>th</sup> at a house in East Columbia
  - Beyond the Badge Basketball game at Howard Community College
    - HCC students working with the African American Roundtable played HCPD officers
  - Community Kickball game hosted by New Hope Lutheran Church and the HCPD Community Outreach Section
  - The Korean Society Appreciation Luncheon was held for the HCPD
  - Grandmothers Cry Luncheon on May 15<sup>th</sup>
    - 15 members currently
    - A group that works with children and young adults to teach respect and show caring towards authority and older adults
- Police Academy 41 Graduation with 16 recruits on field training
- 4 lateral officers started with the department
- ➤ Coffee with a Cop on June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Owen Brown McDonalds
- ➤ COVE Coalition Opposed to Violence and Extremism participating in a Hate Crime Seminar on May 25<sup>th</sup> at the North Laurel Community Center
- Retirements
  - Sgt. Mark Shiplett in Automated Enforcement at the end of May 2017
  - PFC Della Myers from Recruiting at the end of May 2017
- Crime Report reviewed

## <u> Heroin epidemic - Detective Dante Peluso</u>

- Heroin addiction is everywhere
- People are coming through Howard County from PA, DC, VA to get the drugs
- Drug activity tips: 410-290-DRUG or hcpdcrimetips@howardcountymd.gov

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern District Community Room at Police Headquarters.

#### **Action Items:**

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